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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 25-Oct-02

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY		
	Actual Slaughter	Live Weight	Price Range We	eighted Price	# of Boxes
10/21	2,249	5.27	41-64	48.69	9,242
10-22	2,382	5.16	40-64	48.48	9,525
10-23	2,419	5.14	41-61	48.49	7,979
10-24	2,047	5.09	43-64	49.86	8,736
10-25	2,300	5.16	40-61	49.40	9,148
Weekly	11,398	5.16	Cumulative:	48.98	44,629

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 28-Oct-02

Weighted Averages for:	Current Week	<u>Last Week</u>	Year Ago
New York	45.87	45.39	51.92
Chicago	43.60	43.99	52.87
Detroit	43.50	43.77	53.77
Los Angeles	65.68	64.88	68.35
12-City Composite	52.93	53.21	59.37

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 25-Oct-02

Weekly	Weighted Average Price	Total Volume/Pounds
Breast - B/S	125.08	2,105,290
Tenderloins	111.05	629,240
Breast - With Ribs	67.43	1,309,140
Breast - Line Run	64.04	745,600
Legs	31.03	725,600
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	18.06	2,090,445
Drumsticks	25.66	723,220
Thighs	29.38	272,130
B/S Thighs	53.80	501,330
Wings (Whole)	50.17	1,201,130
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(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg)

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 19-Oct-02

	Current	Last		10-Weeks	7-Weeks
	Week	Week	Year Ago	Prior	Prior
Eggs Set	185,842	$19\overline{2,948}$	189,784	$20\overline{5,492}$	204,622
Chicks Placed	155,370	154,253	163,474	168,156	166,483

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 19-OCT-02

	<u>Current We</u>	<u>ek</u> <u>Last Week</u>	Year Ago
Head (00	0) 155,053	158,073	156,885
Average Live Weig	ht 5.05	5.08	5.12
To Date 2002 (00	0) 6,530,121	6,375,068	
To Date 2001 (00	0) 6,473,574	6,316,689	

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on 09/30/02 were slightly below last month but were 28% above last year's level. Total stocks of chicken were up 1% from last month but were 33% above last year. Total pounds of turkeys in freezers decreased 2% from last month but were 24% above last year

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